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IN REPLY REFER TO: 3590 UTU-0115850 (UT-931)

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CERTIFIED MAIL--Return Receipt Requested

Mr. Gordon Ziegler Ziegler Mineral and Chemical Corp 366 N Broadway, Suite 210 Jerico, New York 11753

Re: Mine Plan Modification Request, Federal Gilsonite Lease UTU-0115850

Dear Mr. Ziegler:

<u>Background</u>- The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Utah State Office, received your request for a mining plan approval in a letter dated September 19, 2006. We have reviewed the situation and have determined that the original mining plan approval of November 23, 1999 (see Approval below) covers this action and therefore there is no need for a modification to the plan. This approval does not constitute any approvals required by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining or any other permits necessary to commence operations.

This approval anticipated that only a drift would be driven from the main shaft to the escape shaft. If more mining than this is done from this location then a modification would be necessary.

Approval- The mine plan is approved for Federal gilsonite Lease UTU-0115850 located on the Cowboy Vein. A shaft will be sunk on the north vein with hoist house, airlift, bins, headframe. The old C-4 shaft on the south vein will be re-entered for mining purposes. Air lines and will be maintained from the new shaft on the North Vein. Mining will also commence on the North Vein and escape ways will be located approximately 600 feet southeast of the new shaft and 500 feet northwest of the shaft. A road will be widened to provide access to the facilities. The company will provide a catch basin around the shaft and airlift facilities.

For further information contact Mr. Stan Perkes, (801) 539-4036.

Sincerely,

/S/ Jeff McKenzle

James F.Kohler Chief, Solid Minerals Branch

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